



Excel Academy (CA)

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

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Date and Time

Thursday March 13, 2025 at 11:40 AM PDT

Location

Excel Academy Charter School
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Zoom Meeting Information:

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Meeting ID: 862 9191 5672

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MISSION STATEMENT

Excel Academy will provide a flexible, personalized learning experience where teachers and parents collaborate to provide academic excellence and social and emotional foundations to instill a love for learning in each individual student.

THE ORDER OF BUSINESS MAY BE CHANGED WITHOUT NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the order of consideration of matters on this agenda may be changed without prior notice.

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Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			11:40 AM
A. Call the Meeting to Order		William Hall	1 m
B. Record Attendance		William Hall	1 m
Roll Call:			
William Hall, President			
Michael Humphrey, Vice President			
Steve Fraire, Clerk			
Susan Houle, Member			
Larry Alvarado, Member			
II. Pledge of Allegiance			11:42 AM
A. Led by Board President or designee.		William Hall	1 m
III. Approve/Adopt Agenda			11:43 AM

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
A. Agenda	Vote	William Hall	1 m

It is recommended the Board of Directors adopt as presented, the agenda for the Regular Board meeting of March 13, 2025.

Roll Call Vote:

William Hall

Michael Humphrey

Steve Fraire

Susan Houle

Larry Alvarado

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____

IV. Approve Minutes

11:44 AM

A. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on February 13, 2025	Approve Minutes	William Hall	1 m
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Roll Call Vote:

William Hall

Michael Humphrey

Steve Fraire

Susan Houle

Larry Alvarado

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____

V. Public Comments/Recognition/Reports

Please submit a Request to Speak to the Board of Directors using the chat feature on the right hand side of the Zoom platform. Please state the agenda item number that you wish to address prior to the agenda item being called by the Board President. Not more than three (3) minutes are to be allotted to any one (1) speaker, and no more than twenty (20) minutes on the same subject. This portion of the agenda is for comments, recognitions and reports to the Board and is not intended to be a question and answer period. If you have questions for the Board, please provide the Board President with a written statement and an administrator will provide answers at a later date.

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
VI. Adjourn to Closed Session			11:45 AM
A. The Board will consider and may act on any of the Closed Session matters.	Vote	William Hall	1 m
Roll Call Vote: William Hall Michael Humphrey Steve Fraire Susan Houle Larry Alvarado Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____			
VII. Closed Session			11:46 AM
A. Closed Session	Discuss	William Hall	15 m
1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION Case No. 2024100529			
VIII. Reconvene Regular Meeting			12:01 PM
A. Report out any action taken in closed session.	Discuss	William Hall	2 m
IX. Correspondence/Proposals/Reports			12:03 PM
A. School Highlights - Presented by Heidi Gasca, Executive Director/CEO	Discuss	Heidi Gasca	5 m
B. Family Testimonial - The Kakuda Family	Discuss	The Kakuda Family	8 m
<i>Blake Kakuda - 9th Grade</i> <i>Craig Kakuda - Parent</i>			
X. Consent			12:16 PM
Items listed under Consent are considered routine and will be approved/adopted by a single motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items; however, any item may			

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
be removed from the Consent upon the request of any member of the Board, discussed, and acted upon separately.			
A. Consent - Business/Financial Services			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Check Register - February 2025 2. Cash Payments - February 2025 			
B. Consent - Education & Student Services			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Approval of NearPod Contract for the 2024-2025 School Year B. Approval of the Self-Administration of Medication form for EACS Students 			
C. Consent - Personnel Services			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approval of Certificated Personnel Report 2. Approval of Classified Personnel Report 			
D. Consent Items - Policy Development	Vote	William Hall	1 m
Approval of existing board policies revised, reviewed, and eliminated by staff for the 2024-2025 school year.			

Board Policies: Revised (With Changes)

The following are current policies that have been revised to provide clarity or alignment with changes in law or procedures.

6000 Series - Instruction (Revised with Changes)

- 6010 - EA Independent Study Policy
- 6015 - EA Comprehensive Sexual Health Education Policy
- 6025 - EA Section 504 Policy
- 6035 - EA Mathematics Placement Policy
- 6040 - EA Local Assessment Policy
- 6070 - EA Special Education Independent Educational Evaluation Policy
- 6095 - EA Repeated Courses Policy
- 6125 - EA TK-12th Grade Report Card Policy
- 6200 - EA Satisfactory Educational Progress Policy

Board Policies: Reviewed (No Changes)

Purpose

Presenter

Time

The following policies are being brought to the Board without changes for annual review.

6000 Series - Instruction (Reviewed with No Changes)

- 6005 - EA Parent & Family Engagement Policy
- 6020 - EA Education for Homeless Children and Youth Policy
- 6030 - EA Education for Foster and Mobile Youth Policy
- 6050 - EA Virtual Proctoring Policy
- 6055 - EA Educational Activity Policy
- 6075 - EA SPED Certificate of Completion Policy
- 6115 - EA Attendance Policy

Board Policies: Eliminated

The following policies are no longer relevant at EACS and have been eliminated.

6000 Series - Instruction (Eliminated)

- 6120 - EA Virtual Meeting Policy

Items in the consent agenda are considered routine and will be approved/adopted by a single motion.

Roll Call Vote:

William Hall

Michael Humphrey

Steve Fraire

Susan Houle

Larry Alvarado

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____

XI. Business/Financial Services

12:17 PM

- A.** Approval of the Second Interim Financial Report Vote Joe Sorrera 10 m

It is recommended the Board approve the Second Interim Financial Report for Excel Academy Charter Schools, Helendale (#2073) and Warner (#2053).

Fiscal Impact: As indicated by the 2024-25 Financial Reporting Documents Second Interim Report.

Purpose Presenter Time

Roll Call Vote:

William Hall

Michael Humphrey

Steve Fraire

Susan Houle

Larry Alvarado

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____

- B.** Approval of Annual Audit Engagement Services between CliftonLarsonAllen (CLA) and Excel Academy Charter Schools Vote Joe Sorrera 5 m

It is recommended the Board approve the Annual Audit Engagement Services between CliftonLarsonAllen (CLA) and Excel Academy Charter Schools, Helendale (#2073) and Warner (#2053) for the year ended June 30, 2025.

Fiscal Impact: \$55,000.00

Warner (#2053): \$37,400.00

Helendale (#2073): \$17,600.00

Roll Call Vote:

William Hall

Michael Humphrey

Steve Fraire

Susan Houle

Larry Alvarado

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____

XII. Education Services 12:32 PM

- A.** Approval of the Curriculum Associates (iReady Assessment) Agreement (Renewal) Vote Heidi Gasca 5 m

It is recommended the Board approve the Curriculum Associates (iReady Assessment) Renewal Agreement for Excel Academy Charter Schools, Helendale (#2073) and Warner (#2053).

Fiscal Impact: \$34,930.00

Warner (#2053): \$23,752.40

Helendale (#2073): \$11,177.60

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
Roll Call Vote: William Hall Michael Humphrey Steve Fraire Susan Houle Larry Alvarado Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____			

XIII. Policy Development 12:37 PM

A. Approval of New Board Policies	Vote	Heidi Gasca	5 m
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It is recommended that the Board approve the proposed policies.

Board Policies: New

4000 Series - Personnel

4100 - EA Emoji Use in Staff & Parent Communications Policy

Roll Call Vote:
William Hall
Michael Humphrey
Steve Fraire
Susan Houle
Larry Alvarado
Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____

XIV. Calendar

The next scheduled Board Study Session will be held on April 10, 2025.
The next scheduled Regular Board Meeting will be held on May 8, 2025.

XV. Comments 12:42 PM

A. Board Comments	5 m
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B. CEO Comments	5 m
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XVI. Closing Items 12:52 PM

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
A. Adjourn Meeting	Vote	William Hall	1 m
Roll Call Vote:			
William Hall			
Michael Humphrey			
Steve Fraire			
Susan Houle			
Larry Alvarado			
Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____			

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information concerning this agenda, contact
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